# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# TEXTILES
# LOK SABHA

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Revival of Handloom/Handicraft Sectors
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has made any strategic plan to revive the handloom and handicraft industries in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government has taken any steps for skill development in the handloom and handicraft sectors in the country; and

(d) if so, the details of skill development programmes and number of persons/ workers benefited during each of the last three years and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) & (b): Yes Madam. To revive the handloom and handicrafts sectors in the country the various schemes are under implementation under National Handloom Development Programme and National Handicrafts Development Programme.

Schemes under National Handloom Development Programme:
(A) National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP)
(B) Comprehensive Handloom Cluster Development Scheme(CHCDS)
(C) Yarn Supply Scheme
(D) Handloom Weavers Comprehensive Welfare Scheme

Schemes under National Handicrafts Development Programme:-

(A) Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojna
(i) Dastkar Shashktikaran Yojna
(ii) Design & Technology upgradation
(iii) Human Resource Development
(iv) Direct Benefit to Artisans
(v) Infrastructure and Technology Support
(B) Mega Cluster
(i) Marketing Support & Services
(ii) Research and Development

(c) & (d): Yes the Skill Development Programme have been undertaken both in Handloom & Handicrafts Sector. The details of weavers/artisans programme organized and beneficiaries covered during the last three years are as under:-

| Year | Handloom Sector | | Handicrafts Sector | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Nos. of programme | Nos. of weavers benefitted | Nos. of programme | Nos. of artisans benefitted |
| 2013-14 | 177 | 3540 | 952 | 23100 |
| 2014-15 | 52 | 1040 | 806 | 14569 |
| 2015-16 | 100 | 2500 | 1105 | 25865 |
| TOTAL | 329 | 7080 | 2863 | 63534 |

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